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**THE LEGISLATIVE JUDICIAL COMMITTEE WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON MONDAY,  
MARCH 3, 2014 AT THE LEGISLATIVE OFFICE BUILDING IN HARTFORD.**

(Hartford, CT) --- State Victim Advocate Garvin G. Ambrose announces a scheduled public hearing to be conducted by the Legislative Judicial Committee regarding the following bills that were filed in the 2014 Legislative Session: **SB 261, SB 262, HB 5341, HB 5221 and SB 153.**

"SB261, SB262, and HB5341 are all measures that are being introduced as part of the Office of the Victim Advocate's legislative packet and we would urge your support for these measures, Ambrose stated." Conversely, SB153 and HB5221 are measures that are introduced by the Connecticut Sentencing Commission. The OVA would urge your opposition to HB 5221.

The hearing is scheduled to begin on March 3, 2014 at 1:00 P.M. in room 1E of the Legislative Office Building, which is located at 300 Capitol Avenue in Hartford, CT. As more information becomes available we will be sure to update our information.

In preparation for your testimony, we have provided the links below to each of the 2014 proposed legislative items that are scheduled to be discussed. Should you have questions or concerns regarding any of these measures, please do not hesitate to contact the Office of the Victim Advocate.

**SB 261** [An Act Concerning the Inheritance Rights of a Beneficiary or Survivor Who is Found Not Guilty of Murder or Manslaughter of the Deceased By Reason of Mental Disease or Defect](#)

**SB 262** [An Act Concerning Applications for the Pretrial Alcohol Education Program](#)

**HB 5341** [An Act Concerning the Designation of a Person Convicted of Criminal Violation of a Standing Criminal Protective Order as a Persistent Offender](#)

**HB 5221** [An Act Concerning the recommendations of the Connecticut Sentencing Commission regarding lengthy sentences for crimes committed by a child or youth and the sentencing of a child or youth convicted of certain felony offenses](#)

**SB 153** [An Act Concerning the recommendations of the Connecticut Sentencing Commission with respect to certificates of rehabilitation.](#)

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